THE RIGGS PARK ADVISORY COMMITTEE

RESIDENT MEMBERS

October 17, 2008

Ms. Lora Warner, ATSDR

In an October 2, 2008 Ward 4 Riggs Park gasoline spill update meeting the community was advised by Ms. Bicky Gorman that ATSDR would be reviewing, providing input to, and commenting on the District of Columbia sponsored Riggs Park, Vapor Intrusion Study, (DCHC-2007-T-0022). In attendance at this meeting was DC DOE Director George Hawkins and Ward 4 Councilwoman, Muriel Bowser upon hearing Ms. Gorman's comment, the community immediately objected. On yesterday's, Thursday, October 16, 2008, Riggs Park Advisory Committee(RPAC) meeting, resident members asked Ms. Gorman if the District had notified ATSDR they would not be asked to participate in reviewing and commenting on the impending S.S. Papadopulos report. Ms. Gorman responded no.

The resident members of RPAC and in my position as resident Co Chair of RPAC are officially objection to and respectfully request ATSDR not participate in the above mentioned review and comment process. This objection and request being made to ATSDR because, in our opinion, it would be highly improper and prejudicial for ATSDR to review, comment or have input to the Papadopulos report before the District as well as the community have received from ATSDR the, long overdue, publish responses to public comment period associated the April 9, 2008 Health Consultation ending May 12, 2008.

These comments and requests are made to ATSDR by RPAC resident members on behalf of the residents of Riggs Park and we request official notice ATSDR will comply with this request. Thank you

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Cc: The Honorable Mayor Fenty, Councilwoman Bowser, DC DOE Director George Hawkins; Lamond-Riggs Library repository